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Number of fishing tanks in Hosur Livestock Research Station.

* 48 Q.—Sri M. MUNI REDDI : Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(a) how many tanks are attached to Hosur Livestock Research Station;

(b) whether the concerned authorities have taken steps to develop fisheries in the tanks in question; and whether the authorities at any time auctioned the tanks for fishing; and

(c) whether they are doing so now; and if not, what is happening to the fish in the tanks that are attached to the Research Station?

The Hon. Dr. R. NAGAN GOUDA :—" (a) Five tanks, viz., Kalkeri, Appa Reddi, Poonapalli, Jeegoor and a small portion of the foreshore of the Karnoor tank are attached to the Livestock Research Station, Hosur.

" (b) Yes.

" (c) Due to failure of monsoon during the last five years, most of the tanks were completely dry, on many occasions resulting in the loss of foundation stock of fish. During these periods whenever there were rains and there was water in the tanks a small number of fish was developed and they were caught when the tanks went dry and the fish thus collected were sold departmentally."

Capital punishment in Pudukkottai Division.

* 49 Q.—Sri V. BALAKRISHNAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Law be pleased to state—

(a) whether there was no capital punishment in Pudukkottai State before merger;

(b) whether capital punishment was introduced in Pudukkottai after merger of Pudukkottai State with Madras State and the date of its introduction; and

(c) the number of executions from Pudukkottai State (Division) since the introduction of capital punishment in Pudukkottai Division of Tiruchirappalli district?

The Hon. Sri K. P. KUTTIKRISHNAN NAIR :—" (a) There was no capital punishment in Pudukkottai State before merger.

" (b) The laws of Madras State were made applicable to Pudukkottai with effect from 1st April 1949. Consequently capital punishment was not excluded with effect from the same date.

" (c) One."